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CHAS. HULTGREN, Crossfield

Local and General:

There has been a change in our local post office, Miss Armstrong having taken the place of Miss B. Turnbull, as operator on the phone.

Miss Polly Whitfield was a visitor to her home over the week end.

Mr. Geo. Huser, Junr., journeyed to Calgary on Monday evening last to visit his father, who is sick in hospital there, suffering from an internal complaint. The latest reports are that he is progressing favourably.

Mr. R. Landsburgh is giving up business as saddler in Crossfield, having secured a situation with the Great West Saddlery Co., at Calgary, and will leave Crossfield early next week, accompanied by his wife and family, to take up their residence in Calgary.

Mr. Morley Turner and Mr. R. McKay, of Calgary, were visitors to Crossfield over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Millar, of Winnipeg, formerly of Brockville, Ont., announce the engagement of their daughter Marguerite to Mr. Chester G. McElroy, of Weyburn, Sask. The marriage is to take place in February. Mr. McElroy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson McElroy, of Crossfield.

Mr. E. G. Duncan, Special Military Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., paid a visit to Crossfield on Tuesday on behalf of the Association, and their work in the different Military Camps. The Y.M.C.A. are doing a great and good work among our soldier boys. His appeal for funds to carry on this work met with a fair amount of success in this district.

Mr. W. Bradley is now prepared to do all the Disc sharpening you want. Now is the time to get your implements repaired ready for your spring work. Get this work done now and you won't be delayed when the time comes to use your implements.

Crossfield was seeming up to a serious proposition on Friday last, when the way-freight arrived at Crossfield, it was rather an amusing sight to see about 75 teams lined up awaiting that which cheers and warms the home. However, it showed the seriousness of the coal situation. A car consigned to Ivor Lewis was soon swallowed up, and another car billed to Didelury, Mr. Jose managed to secure, a short time sufficed to empty that also. Thus Crossfield and district was relieved from the thought of being frozen out for the time being.

Don't forget the Box Social and Dance to be held at Rodney Schoolhouse, on Friday, February 11th. Come one, come all and help to Roll the Red Cross Ball.

The Annual Convention of the Temperance and Moral Reform League of Alberta met in Calgary this week. Much interest was manifested in the coming into effect of the Liquor Act, on July 1st next, and in the readjustment to meet the changed conditions. The convention favoured the appointing by the Government of a commission of men of integrity and ability to administer the new law, so that the very best results might be secured. James Ramsey, Edmonton, spoke of the efforts that would be made to carry on the boot-legging business. He told of the seizure of a large safe sent out to the Grand Prairie District containing one thousand dollars worth of whisky was to be sold at 50c a drink at a profit of \$11,000.

Yes,—It's Cold!

We have Stoves and Pipes all ready for the fire.
Have you the Fuel?

We have Door Felt and Tacks to keep out the frost.

Have you time to put it on?

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Have you cold feet?

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Do you want to work one?

We have 40° below zero weather.

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For Sale.—Young high grade Shorthorn Cows and Heifers, in-calf. Also some registered Bulls rising one year. Bull Oryington Cockrocks. E. Richards.

For Sale.—Some Young Pedigree Berkshire Sows. G. T. Jones Wanted to Buy, some Calves. Thos. Fitzgerald.

Extra.—One Red Moolay Steer, rising two years. R. H. hip A suitable reward will be paid for information. Geo. Fox.

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IT PAYS TO PAY CASH.

ESTRAY.—Bay Mare, left hind leg white, white on right hind foot, star on face, white stripe on nose, black points. About 900 pounds weight. Eight years old and gentle. No visible brand. On the premises of R. J. Wilson, sec. 21, tp. 28 R. 26, w. of 4th. G. McLeod, Brand Reader.

Don't start the new year off with owing for the Chronicles you had during the old year. Call at the office with that dollar the first time you are in town.

Dollars Saved By Bovril

Bovril used in the Kitchen means dollars saved in the Bank.

It makes nourishing hot dishes out of cold food which would not otherwise be eaten. But see that you get the real thing. If it is not in the Bovril bottle it is not Bovril. And it must be Bovril.

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THE WALKER HOUSE, TORONTO, CANADA

Geo. Wright & Mack Carroll, Proprietors

(Both formerly Westerners)

Stole a Telegraph Pole

A private in the 2nd Cameron Highlanders gives an amusing example of the coolness of our men at the front. He writes:

"It was in the trenches in France, and the wood for keeping the fire in was running short, and the men didn't know what to do, when an inventive chap came to the captain and asked the captain's permission to take down a telegraph pole from the back of our trench. The captain said he couldn't, but in a joke he said 'You can take down that one' pointing to one in front of the German parapet. A little thinking the man would venture out. That same night, armed with a rifle and Japanese saw, three of the boys went out and returned, untouched with the pole. We wondered what the Germans thought next morning when they saw the pole was gone."

Knee Joint Stiff Three Years

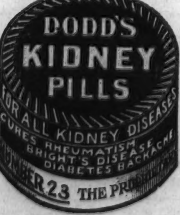
CURED BY NERVILINE

Anyone would marvel at my recovery, writes Mr. Leonard Lotham, a young man well known about Clifton. I had inherited a rheumatic tendency through my mother's family, and in my early days suffered frightfully. About three years ago the pain and stiffness settled in my left knee joint. I was lame and walked with a very distinct limp. Nerviline was brought to my notice and I rubbed it into the stiff joint four or five times a day. It dispelled every vestige of pain, reduced the swelling, took out the stiffness and gave me the full use of my limb again. I don't believe there is a pain-relieving remedy, not a single liniment that can compare with Nerviline. I hope every person with pains, with sore back, with lameness, with lumbago, with neuralgia—do hope they will try out Nerviline which I am convinced will quickly and permanently cure them."

If Nerviline wasn't a wonderful painless remedy, if Nerviline didn't quickly relieve, if Nerviline wasn't known to be a grand cure for all rheumatic conditions, it wouldn't have been so largely used as a family remedy for the past forty years. No better, stronger, or more soothing liniment made. Get the large 50c family size bottle; small trial size 25c; sold by any dealer, anywhere.

The Good Roads Congress

The announcement that the third Canadian and International Good Roads Congress is to be held in a few months is of special interest to Montreal, not only because the meetings are to be held in this city, but because this is said to be the focus of all the worst roads in the Dominion. The two thousand delegates from Canada, America and England who have signified their intention of attending will have object lesson in the latter stages of their journey here that should give a decided flip to their discussions.—Montreal News.



W. N. U. 1088

German Soldiers Depressed

Huns Now Realize That They Are Engaged in a Hopeless Struggle!

In the Ypres district, the German soldier is in a state of deep depression. There are many signs. Little bodies of deserters have become much more frequent. The saying in civilian Germany that "no one comes back from Ypres" prevails in the ranks, and even the half-humorous remarks shouted from the trenches indicate a state of depression. The weather and fearful state of some of the trenches are in part the cause of this, but the real reason is the supply of artillery and munitions.

The German is now obviously beginning to feel that the balance has changed and his inferiority is likely to be permanent. It is not well to lay over much stress on a few desertions or the confessions of deserters, or even on the absence of offensive movements.

But it remains that a wave of deep depression is over many Germans in the trenches of one wide and important district, and our men were never more cheerful, in spite of snow and slush and cold and rotting sandbags and frequent "barrages."

Muscular Rheumatism Subdued.—When one is a sufferer from muscular rheumatism he cannot do better than to have the region rubbed with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. There is no doubt so speedily shows effect in subduing pain. Let the rubbing be brisk and continue until ease is secured. There is more virtue in a bottle of it than can be fully estimated.

For signalling between aeroplanes there has been invented apparatus for blowing one black dust from a reservoir by the exhaust from the motors in such a way as to form dots and dashes.

When a factory recently was built in Maryland the ventilation system piped the place inside the reinforced concrete supporting columns.

Minard's Liniment Cures Disemper.

Oswald.—My love for you is like the deep blue sea.

Clarissa.—And I take it with the corresponding amount of salt.

Frost Gets Bird Men

German Aviators Freeze to Death in the Clouds

Owing to the intense cold, German air scouts are becoming less active in flight. He writes:

"Thanks to the bitterness of the weather, one Albatross machine was captured by the Russians absolutely intact. It was observed over the Russian lines, and was allowed to get well to the rear before a Russian flotilla of aeroplanes mounted and cut off its retreat, and concurrently the artillery became busy."

The Albatross soared to altitudes where the cold must have reached minus 31, or 32 deg. of frost, Fahrenheit. Soon it was seen to be circling aimlessly, and finally it made a good descent, quite normally, into some marshes behind the Russian lines."

After a couple of hours' search the machine was discovered. The pilot and observer were both dead in perfect condition. The men undoubtedly perished through the intense cold aggravated by rapid motion through the air.

It is probable that the last conscious act of the pilot was to place down that his and his companion's arms being frozen, they were unable to loosen the straps which bound them to their seats, and that heart failure from cold brought death."

Nearly all children are subject to worms, and many are born with them. Spare them suffering by using Mother Graves' Worm Expeller, the best remedy of the kind that can be had.

Some London East End girls (matchless makers) taken down to Surrey to spend a summer day in a beautiful house and a garden in a lovely part of the country. When their hostess was wishing them good-bye she said she had much enjoyed their visit, and one guest replied cheerfully:

"I expect we have cheered you up here; it must be deadly dull down there."

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited, Gloucesters, Theodore Dorais, a customer of mine, was completely cured of rheumatism after five years of suffering, by the judicious use of MINARD'S LINIMENT.

The above facts can be verified by writing to him, to the Parish Priest or any of his neighbors.

A. COTE, Merchant, St. Idore, Que., 12 May, '98.

Dobbe—A friend of mine who makes moving pictures bumped up against his first failure last week.

Dobbe—How was that?

Dobbe—He tried to make a moving picture of two old men playing a game of chess in a village store.

Pills That Have Benefitted Thousands.—Known far and near as a sure remedy in the treatment of indigestion and all derangements of the stomach, liver and kidneys, Farnell's Vegetable Pills have brought relief to thousands when other specifics have failed. Innumerable testimonials can be produced to establish the truth of this assertion. Once tried they will be found superior to all other pills in the treatment of the ailments for which they are prescribed.

One of the faculty of a New England college tells of a freshman who was asked by one of the professors whether he had proved a certain proposition in Euclid.

"Well, sir," said the freshman, "I will say that I have rendered it highly probable."

Little Miss MAIDEN CANADA



COWAN'S Perfection COCOA

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First Recruit—What do you think of the Major, Bill?

Second Recruit—He's a changeable kind o' bloke. Last night I says to 'im: "Oo goes there?" An' he says: "Friend" An' today 'eardly' knows me.

The money spent on liquor in Canada would equip and maintain an army of one hundred thousand men. And yet, for a selfish indulgence that does no good to anybody, this sum is squandered at a time when Canada has the greatest strength in her history on her hands.—Vancouver World.



Women everywhere are praising this great food cure, because it lifts them out of this terrible nervous, irritable condition, and by its reconstructive influence enables the bodily organs to properly perform their natural functions.

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Red Cross Notes.

The Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks the following donations and work:

Crossfield Sewing Circle Tea \$2.50
Sewing Circle Work, 9 M.T. band
ages, 12 T bandages, 1 surgical
shirt, 2 handks.

Mrs. Willis, 1 pair socks.
Mrs. W. McElroy, 1 pair socks.
Mrs. Wicks, 2 surgical shirts.
Mrs. Walsh, 1 pair socks.
Mrs. Farquharson, 1 pair socks, 6
T bandages.

Mrs. Mossop, 1 pair socks.

The next Sewing Meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Laut, and the one following at the home of Mrs. E. S. McElroy.

Recruits for the 137th

Battalion are Wanted.

When loyal High River citizens heard last week that recruits were needed for the 137th Battalion being raised by Lieut. Colonel Morrill in Calgary and the adjacent district, they got together, appointed committees and practically guaranteed a certain percentage of the battalion from that district.

In spite of what High River, in common with every other district of Alberta has done in the way of raising men, every business man in town, from the mayor down, swore to do his utmost to get together as many men as possible.

With things practically at a stand-still on the farms, the greatest confidence was expressed that little difficulty would be experienced in finding them.

"The country districts have hardly begun to show their strength," said one prominent citizen, "The people are just realizing the enormous gravity of the struggle in which the empire is involved, and in which we in the west are as deeply concerned as anyone."

The men from the farms are beginning to surge toward the recruiting office after doing their share all the fall in garnering the biggest crop the west has ever known. The 137th has already in its ranks many agriculturists who give promise of making the finest soldiers who have yet gone forward.

The battalion has secured fine winter quarters in the Price-Jones building at Calgary. The barracks are very central, being at the corner of 12th Avenue and First Street W. They are warm and comfortable, are being well equipped and what counts in this zero weather, have admirable accommodation for indoor drilling.

Recruiting offices have been opened at High River and Drumheller already, and the Calgary office is located at 121 Eighth Avenue West, the old Merchants Bank Building.

More recruiting offices will be opened at Bassano, Strathmore and other points in the district.


Worth Knowing.

"When things ain't going right with you, and you can't make them gee; when business matters look real blue, and customers are rare; when all your assets are in dock, don't cuss and tear your hair. Just listen to this good advice, and take it if you're wise; give every article a price, and then go advertise. And advertise from morn to night, and every week, don't overlook a chance; and soon you'll see the world go bright, and things will come your way. Invest in good publicity, and fortune y'll meet; and in a little while you'll be 'way up on Easy Street."

"The merchant who doesn't advertise is the same fellow who never has what you want in stock because he never had any demand for it."

Farmers Insure your Buildings in the Wawanesa Mutual Fire Insurance Co. A Company of the Farmers and for the Farmers only. Costs only about 35 cents a year for \$100 Insurance.

Chas. Hultgren, Agent.



THE SUPREME COURT OF ALBERTA, 1916.

Sittings of the Supreme Court of Alberta, Appellate Division, and for the trial of cases, Civil and Criminal, and for the hearing of motions and other civil business will be held at the following times and places for the year 1916. When the date set for the opening of a Court or a Sitting is a holiday, such Court or Sitting shall commence on the day following such holiday.

Appellate Division

EDMONTON—Second Tuesday in January, First Tuesday in April and Third Tuesday in September.

CALGARY—Fourth Tuesday in February, Third Tuesday in May and First Tuesday in November.

For Trial of Civil Non-Jury Causes

EDMONTON AND CALGARY—Second Tuesday in January and each Tuesday thereafter, except during vacation (commencing after the long vacation on the Third Tuesday in September).

EDMONTON AND CALGARY—Fourth Tuesday in April, and Fifth Tuesday in October.

For Trial of all Criminal Causes

EDMONTON AND CALGARY—Second Tuesday in January, Fourth Tuesday in March, Fifth Tuesday in May and First Tuesday in October.

WETASKIWIN—Third Tuesday in February and First Tuesday in October.

RED DEER—Fourth Tuesday in January and Third Tuesday in September.

STRATHMORE—Third Tuesday in March and Fifth Tuesday in October.

MEDICINE HAT—First Tuesday in March and Second Tuesday in November.

MACLEOD—First Tuesday in March and Third Tuesday in October.

LETHBRIDGE—Fifth Tuesday in February and Third Tuesday in September.

For Trial of all Civil Causes

WETASKIWIN—Second Tuesday in May and Fourth Tuesday in November.

RED DEER—Second Tuesday in March and Second Tuesday in November.

STRATHMORE—Fourth Tuesday in April and Third Tuesday in December.

MEDICINE HAT—Second Tuesday in May and First Tuesday in December.

MACLEOD—Third Tuesday in May and First Tuesday in December.

LETHBRIDGE—Second Tuesday in February, Fourth Tuesday in May and Third Tuesday in November.

Dated at Edmonton, Alberta, this 20th day of December, 1915.

G. P. OWEN FENWICK,
Acting Deputy Attorney General.

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Heliolite is the newest gem, and it differs from all others in its remarkable faculty of changing color. Heliolite is a brand-new discovery. It was accidentally unearthed by German prospectors searching for other precious stones in German East Africa. No one knew what the gem was when it was first brought to light, but it did not take long to learn that they had added a new star to the bright firmament of gems. Samples of the stone were sent to the Kaiser, and he was delighted with them. He had seven heliolite stones set with diamonds and pearls and made into a cross for the Empress. The predominating color of heliolite in day time is a brilliant golden yellow. In artificial light it changes to a beautiful green. In semi-darkness it shines like a diamond.

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Empire Defenders.

We print below a list of the men from the Crossfield district who have joined the ranks of our Empire Defenders.

Should any names have been omitted and any of our readers be able to supply us with the same we should be pleased to include same.

Lieut. Col. R. L. Doyle, 10th Batt.

Killed in Action.

W. G. R. Mundell, Princess Pats,

Killed in Action.

Charles Thomas, 9th, Bant.

C. J. Urquhart, 12th Mounted Rifles.

John Chesser, " "

Jas. Watt, " "

W. H. Borton, " "

M. Lewis, " "

R. Lewis, " "

D. R. Lewis, " "

Robt. Salter, 31st Batt.

Jerry Fuller, " "

Cyril Fuller, " "

Deasley Brunner, " "

L. L. Brown, " "

M. L. Boyle, Clyde Starrock, 56th Batt.

Frank Laveck, 56th Batt.

John Galbraith, " "

S. J. Hunter, " "

P. G. Seaman, 51st Batt.

W. C. Clark, Harry Fenwick, 56th Batt.

Jack Collins, " "

Charles Collins, " "

R. Landsburgh, " "

Fred Blake, " "

C. W. H. Atkinson, Medical Corps.

Jas. H. Whittell, 52nd Batt.

A. Fraser, 4th Field Co. Engineers

A. R. V. Dyke

Capt. F. Thorpe

Charlie Knight, 31st Batt.

David Grant, " "

Harry Ouelor, " "

G. T. Cornwall, 52nd Batt.

Bert Woldege, " "

Jas. Moss, " "

L. G. Fisher, " "

J. E. Clinton, 52nd Batt.

S. Dawson, 56th Batt.

Douglas Hall, 56th Batt.

W. A. M. Hallett, 56th Batt.

James Eagleson, 137th Battalion

George Smith, " "

Besides there are some who have very recently removed from here and are well known, and have enlisted elsewhere:

Bruce Knox, 56th Batt.

R. H. Hunter, 13th Mounted

A. C. Wittet, " "

Walter Goodland, 56th Batt. Corporal.

Jesse Fike, " "

F. Eyselsoch, " "

J. Leveson, " "

Frank R. Parker, Senr.

W. R. Edward, 56th Batt.

Donald Mathieson, 13th Mounted

George Downing, " "

George Blanchard, " "

R. E. Bishop, " "

Neil McCrimmon, " "

Lodge Cards

CROSSFIELD LODGE I. O. O. F.

No.  43

Meets Every Wednesday Night in the Oddfellows Hall at 8 p.m.

Visiting Brethren Welcome.

Dr. WILLIAMS, Sec'y. LEVI BONE, Rec.-Sec'y

Council Meetings

The council of the Village of Crossfield will meet in the Council Chamber over Fire Hall on the first Monday of each month, commencing with February at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

By Order of the Village Council
St-52- W. McElroy, Sec.-Treas.

FOR SALE.

For Sale, about 250 bushels of Hulkes Barley, with some Bearded Barley in it.

Apply to Wm. Keil, Crossfield.

Estray Notices.

Came to the farm of F. Custead, Airdrie, N.W. Sec. 26, tp. 27, R. 28, w. 4, one small Dark Red Heifer, 2½ years old.

Branded on right ribs

G. McLEOD,

Brand Reader.

Train Service.

North Bound	1-04
" "	9-28
" "	15-03
South Bound	6-30
" "	14-18
" "	20-34
SUNDAYS.	
North Bound	15-03
South Bound	14-18

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Crossfield School District No. 752

The REGULAR MEETINGS of the above school Board will be held at the School House at 10 a. m. on the first Saturday of the following months: January, March, May, July, September and November.

All matters of business pertaining to this district will be attended to at this meeting.

The office of the Sec.-Treas. is in the Post Office Buildings.

A. R. THOMAS, Chairman.

C. McKay, Sec.-Treas.

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(Continued)

CHAPTER LIII
"As Proof of Holy Writ"

Tchikovsky hung over the papers before him as if inspired. There was not much, apparently, in the book with the metal cap, but that little seemed to be fascinating to a degree. The Russian turned it over till he came to the end.

"You appear to be satisfied," Geoffrey said.

"Satisfied is a poor word to express my feelings," Tchikovsky replied. He stretched himself; he drew a deep breath like one who has been under water.

"I have practically everything here in this diary," he said. "It is written in a language you would fail to understand, but it is all like print to me. Everything is traced down from the first of the family catastrophes to the last attempt by means of the bees. There are letters from Lassa containing instructions for the preparation of certain drugs and poisons; in fact, here is everything."

"So that we are rid of our foes at last?"

"Not quite. The princess is cunning. We shall have to extract a confession from her, we shall have to get her and her two slaves together. It is all a matter of hours, but we shall have to be circumspect. If the woman finds she is baffled she may be capable of a bitter revenge to finish with."

"What are you going to do?" Geoffrey asked.

"We are going back to the castle the same way we came," Tchikovsky explained. "We are going to show your uncle Ralph our find. For the present it is not expedient that Sergei Tchikovsky should come to life again."

"The box was locked once more and replaced, and then the two burglars crept from the house. They had not disturbed anybody, for the upper windows of the farmhouse were all in darkness."

A brisk walk brought them to the castle. Upstairs a dim light was still burning in Ralph's study, while the window was darkened again.

Ralph sat stolidly smoking as he had not moved for hours. He showed not the slightest curiosity as to the success of his nephew's mission. The sky smote him in the back with unwonted hilarity.

"So you have been successful?" he croaked.

"Oh, you have guessed that?" Tchikovsky cried.

"It was a mere matter of time," Ralph replied. "It was bound to come. I knew that from the first day I got here."

"All very well," Tchikovsky muttered, "but it was only a matter of time till the Ravenspurs were wiped out root and branch."

"You knew the day you got here?" Geoffrey exclaimed.

Ralph turned his inscrutable face to the speaker.

"I did, lad," he said. "I came home to ascertain how the thing was worked. Before I slept the first night under the old roof I knew the truth. And I came in time-guided by the hand of Providence—to save the first of a fresh series of tragedies."

"You wonder why I did not speak; you have asked me before why I did not proclaim my knowledge. And I replied that the whole world would have laughed at me; you would have been the first to deride me, and the assassin would have been warned. I kept my counsel; I worked on like a mole in the dark; and when I had something to go on, Tchikovsky came. Before you are many hours older the mercenaries will stand confessed."

"Tchikovsky now?" approval.

"He was drifting rapidly a cigarette between his long fingers."

"Ralph is right," he said. "We have only to see the mine now and get that key."

"Easy enough," Ralph croaked. "I knew the woman would be uneasy about her papers. I gave her a touch of the cordial on her lips and brought her to her senses. A certain messenger who shall be nameless was sent with the key. The messenger was disguised in a hooded robe and carried arrangements, and her pocket was picked. Elphick dropped back and gave me the key, which I passed on to you."

"In a measure, I might say that I had seen it. Many a time at night have I lain in a flower bed under that woman's window and heard her reading from the diary or writing in it. That is why I asked no questions when you came in. I knew you had been successful. And now, Princess Zara, I am in my turn."

Ralph's voice dropped to a whisper, an intense, burning whisper of hate and vengeance. He rose and paced the room like a caged bird.

"What will be her fate?" asked Geoffrey.

"Burn her, my dear, hang her," Ralph cried. "No death is too painful, too loathsome for a creature like that. I could forgive her father and mother, but not her."

"Who talks too fast says too much," he remarked sententially.

"That is the next morning," Geoffrey asked.

"Red, I should say," Tchikovsky spoke laconically. "As far as one judge we are likely to have a busy day. The princess is cunning. And don't you be surprised at anything you see or hear. It will be all in the day's work. I am going to hide here, but I shall turn up when the time comes. Good night."

It was late when Geoffrey rose the following day, and the family had breakfasted without incident. Most of the family were on the terrace in the sunshine.

"How is the visitor?" he asked.

"She may seem very quiet," Mr. Gordon explained. "She complains of a sort of paralysis in her lower limbs. At the same time she refuses to see a doctor, saying that she has had something of the kind before."

"Does she account for her presence here?" said Geoffrey.

"She says she had been informed that everybody from the castle was in the beach. It was exactly then when she saw two strange suspicious-looking men coming this way. She felt sure that they had designs on her and followed them. She tried to get away, but they were too quick for her. She was lying in bed, but she did not see a soul anywhere. Then she got out on that queer dress and came on."

"The two men entered the castle and she went after them. They discovered her and one of them blew her on the head that stunned her. When she came to her senses again she was lying in bed. What else plucked her?"

"Very," Geoffrey said drily, "but where is Marion?"

"Marion, like yourself, seems to be ill," said Geoffrey. "It is so very unlike her; indeed, I fear the poor child is anything but well. Those queer people always feel the most and poor Marion was greatly upset yesterday."

Vera came in at the same moment. She had a merry word or two for Geoffrey as to his late appearance. She had not seen Marion as yet. "Run up to her room, there is a dear girl," she said. "I hope you will find her not like Marion; I fear something has happened to her."

"I wish you could," Ravenspur observed.

Vera disappeared only to come back presently with the information that Marion's room with empty, and that her bed had not been occupied. She held a little envelope in her hand. "Can only find this," she said.

Ravenspur matched the letter, and tore it open.

"Extraordinary," he exclaimed. "Marion says she has found a clue to the troubles and is following it up at once. If she does not come back till late we are not to worry about her. Strange. But I have every confidence in her."

"May she not come to harm?" Vera said fervently.

"Oh, I hope not," Mrs. Gordon cried. "But will this mystery and misery never end?"

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the lessons of all the years had taught her no prudence in that direction. A kind word or an appeal for assistance always disarmed Mrs. Gordon. But I don't want a doctor."

"I hope you are comfortable?" she asked.

Mrs. May smiled faintly. She appeared a trifle embarrassed. She was acting her part beautifully as usual. Her audacity and assurance had carried her through great difficulties and she had confidence in the future.

"In my body, perfectly," she said. "But I am unwell in my mind."

"And you will not have a doctor?"

"Not for worlds. There is nothing the matter with me. I have suffered like this before. I have a weak heart you know, and excitement troubles me. But I don't want a doctor."

(To be Continued)

The Farm Home

Things That Help to Make Up the Sum Total of a Real Farm Home

There are very few words in the English language as dear as the words home—home, home, and heaven. Not enough farmers pay as much attention to making up a real home, as they ought. Not only the "house," but the whole farm should be looked upon as "a home" and planned so as to bring the various fields constituting the homestead under such management as to not only make them profitable in a financial point of view, but pleasing and attractive to look upon. I am going to take such good care of them as to draw out the best of their produce, and in grass, have the surface smooth and lawn like after best mowing. Let the fence be neatly mown, with no hedgerows left along them; plant some trees, shrubs and flowers about the buildings, and allow no broken down waggon, or old implements standing about the place. Let the house be a little proud that it belongs to you, when you exhibit it to your friends. All these things help to make up the sum total of a real farm home. The orchard and garden also come in as great aids towards making the farm home the most desirable place on earth, for where we work and live, it is hardly possible to think of any other but the farm home. As a farmer's nature and the things that make life so charming in the country. Year by year we should endeavor to make the home dearer.—R. H. Dow, in the Weekly Sun.

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Snakes throw off their outer skin once a year. Human beings change their skin perhaps nine times in a year. That is, they have a skin about once in six weeks.

The value of a clean skin in maintaining health is not properly understood by the majority of people. Clean skin is not only a sign of good health, but it is healthy unless you are clean, not only externally, but also internally.

The blood should also be assisted occasionally, like the skin, in throwing off poisons. This sort of thing may not get clogged and leave a weak spot in the body, but it does the system clean. When the blood is clogged we suffer from what is commonly called a cold.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery purifies the blood and entirely eradicates the poisons that breed and feed disease. It thus cures scrofula, eczema, boils, pimples and other eruptions that mar and sord the skin. Pure blood is essential to good health. The weak, run-down, debilitated condition which so many people experience is commonly the effect of impure blood.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery not only cleanses the blood of impurities, but it increases the activity of the blood-making glands, and it expels the body with an abundant supply of pure, rich blood.

Take it as directed and it will search out and drive out all poisons from the stomach, liver, bowels and kidneys, and drive it from the system through the natural channels.

It will penetrate into the joints and muscles, and dissolve the poisonous accumulations and drive them out. It will furnish you with rich, pure blood full of vital force—no kind that increases energy and makes you feel like a new man.

Being in this light, Australia has to recruit her manhood, young or old, sent to fight, and keep on doing so, unflinchingly, even though the strain were protracted until she was ready to stagger and fall from weakness. We can no more meet a call for fresh effort with a non-existent fighting man in the rear than we can with a man in the rear.

To do so would imply absolute defeat and surrender. Australia is contending for her freedom and her future, for all that she has established existence worth having, and, once centred upon the quarrel, she, like the United States, is estimated to be long as she can stand and see.—The Melbourne Australasian.

Winning the V. C.

Amazing Heroism at the Battle Front Which Won the Coveted Honor

In the big advance on Loos that began on Sept. 25 the Victoria Cross was won by seventeen officers and men of the British army.

The wonderful stories of their amazing heroism, coolness and devotion to duty are told in the official phrases of the London Gazette. Some of them are here reproduced:

Major A. Douglas-Hamilton, commanding 3rd Queen's Own Highlanders: "When commencing his battalion operations on Hill 70 on Sept. 26, when the battalions on his right and left had retired, he rallied his own battalion again and again and led his men forward four times. The last time he led all that remained, consisting of about 50 men, in a most gallant manner, and was killed at the head of his men."

It was mainly due to his bravery, untiring energy and splendid leadership that the position was held, enabled to check the enemy's advance.

Capt. Antekell Montroy, 2nd Northamptonshire regiment: "During the first attack near Hulluch on the morning of Sept. 25, though partially gassed, Capt. Read sent out several times in order to rally parties of different units which were disorganized and retiring. He did this with the firing line, and utterly regardless of danger, moved freely about encouraging them under the most trying circumstances. He was wounded while carrying out this gallant work."

Capt. D. Pollock, 5th Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders: "Near the Holzenlorenz road on Sept. 25, about 12 noon, when the enemy's bombers in superior numbers were successfully working on the 'Little Willie' trench toward Holzenlorenz road, Capt. Pollock, after obtaining permission, got out of the trench alone, walked along the top edge with the utmost coolness and disregard of danger, and compelled the enemy's bombers to retire by his own personal example. He was under heavy machine gun fire for the whole time."

Temp. Second Lieut. A. J. T. Fleming-Sandess, 2nd A. S. T. P. regiment: "At Holzenlorenz road on Sept. 25, Second Lieut. Fleming-Sandess was sent to command a company which at that time was in a very exposed position. The troops on his right were retiring and his own men, who were much shaken by the continual bombing and machine gun fire, were also becoming demoralized. In view of the shortage of bombs, taking in the situation at a glance, he collected a few more, jumped on to the parapet in full view of the Germans, who were only 20 yards away, and threw them. Although very severely wounded almost at once by a bomb, he struggled on to his feet, got to the advance and threw bombs until he was again severely wounded."

Second Lieut. A. B. Turner, 3rd Field Company, R.E.: "In the attack on Hill 70 on Sept. 25, Second Lieut. Turner, in the section of his company of the Royal Engineers, was severely wounded in the attack and suffered several charges on his head."

At "Fosse 8," near Vermelles, on Sept. 25, when the regimental bombers could make no headway in Slat Alley Second Lieut. Turner volunteered to lead a non-bombing attack. He pressed down the communication trench practically alone, throwing bombs incessantly with such dash and determination that he drove back the Germans about 150 yards without a check. His action enabled the bombers to advance with very little loss, and subsequently covered the flank of his section in its retirement, thus probably averting a loss of some hundreds of men. This most gallant officer has since died."

An old negro was charged with a child, and the judge said: "Where's your lawyer, uncle?"

"But got none, judge."

"But got none to have one," returned the old man. "I'll assign one to defend you."

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Tautonic Penetration

Julius Kules, editor of "Le Metro-pole" of Antwerp, studied the growth of German colonies in Belgium for some time before the war. His book, "The German Hole," shows how Belgium was undermined.

Harmless looking German clerks, backed by such bodies as the Hamburg Association for Business Clerks, took jobs with Belgian concerns at little or no pay, worked up, got hold, and slanted everything toward Germany. Paid German agitators stirred up quarrels between the Flemings and Walloons. German schools and newspapers were planned to make public opinion Tautonic. Belgium is not alone in this, for the same thing was done in Russia, and the present war is popular in Russia because it means the routing out of German influence. We Americans are altogether too simple and easy about these things, and we would do well to ponder the conclusion proffered by Belgium's bitter experience:

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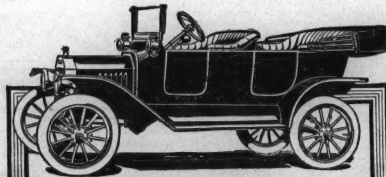
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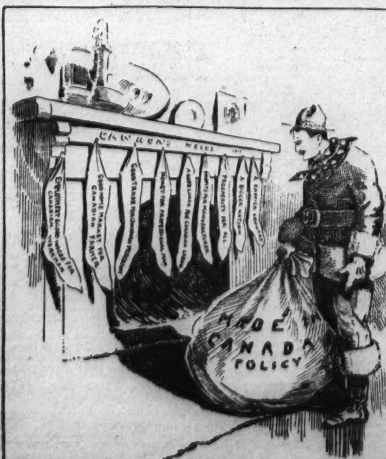


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The Y.M.C.A. and The War

The Young Men's Christian Association for the past 45 years has ministered to the needs of the men in training in the various militia camps throughout the Dominion. The present war, however, gave this Association the opportunity of proving its value to the militia. When war was declared the National Council of the offered its services which were accepted by the Militia Department at Ottawa. Wherever a minimum of 1000 soldiers are recruited the Y.M.C.A. established itself in the camp. The work done is four-fold in nature combining Social, Educational, Physical and Religious activities. A room equipped with such home comforts as can be provided is fitted up in the camp. These rooms or tents are made as attractive as possible with decorations such as pictures, house plants and such other articles as can be secured. Newspapers, magazines, writing paper, envelopes, pens, ink, etc., are provided for the use of the men. No charge being made. Concerts and entertainments are arranged, talent being secured from among the men, also from outside the ranks. The choirs of the different churches assist also, the best musical and literary talent give their services free. A piano, pianola, and gramophone, the gift of some interested party adorns the room. Checkers, chess and other games are provided, and here in comfort the exponents of these games vie with each other for the championship. Along an educational line, first aid to the injured, French conversation, penmanship (English taught to non-English speaking recruits), etc. Lectures on war topics and other subjects of peculiar interest to the soldier are arranged. Among these was the recent visit of Dr. Winifred Scott Hall, Professor of Physiology in the North Western University of Chicago. He spoke to 1,200 in one centre on Engineering and Sex Hygiene.

The promotion of all manly sports such as baseball, football, tennis, wrestling, boxing, etc., are included in the physical program. In some centres physical drill is directed by the Physical Director of the Y.M.C.A. The religious work is of great importance and because of the interdenominational character of the Association can better be handled by this than other organizations. In every case, to secure the co-operation of the various churches is the Association's first concern, and without exception this has been secured.

Bible classes are organized, gospel meetings held. Among the most helpful are the sing-songs, which are mostly informal. This work is continued in England also among our Canadian regiments, and a modified work done also at the front. The job of the Secretary in charge is that of being a friend to the men. Such little bits of service as depositing money, visiting the sick, etc., are among his duties and privileges.

When the troops entrain for the east the Association sends a representative with them equipped with a supply of writing paper, post cards, stamps, magazines, gramophone, etc. His duty is to continue a similar work as done in the camps on train and shipboard.

The Militia Department has made it possible that with each Battalion for overseas a Y.M.C.A. representative can be attached. He being given the rank of Hon. Captain.

Twenty-seven such representatives have been sent overseas and ten are now in the trenches with the Canadian Battalions.

To carry on this work from Port Arthur to the Coast requires \$1,000 per month. Mr. E. G. Duncan, formerly with the Edmonton Y.M.C.A., now a representative of the Western Division of the National Council visited Crossfield this week. He interviewed a number of citizens and secured considerable help. Any who were missed inadvertently or for some reason had not an opportunity to respond can send their contribution to the Treasurer of the Western Division of The National Council of Young Men's Christian Associations of Canada, Mr. J. E. Lebridge, 215, L.O.O.F. Building, Calgary, Alberta. In addition to cash

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Seed Grain Should be Given a Germination Test

Germination tests made on oats, wheat and barley this fall at the Dominion Seed Laboratory, at Calgary shows that there are considerable quantities of oats and barley, particularly in Alberta and Saskatchewan which are unfit for seed. The average percentage germination for Alberta oats is 68 per cent, and none of the samples of Alberta oats received have germinated up to the standard which is 95 per cent. Moreover the average preliminary count which is made at the end of six days is as low as 35 per cent. Good seed oats should give a preliminary count of 85 per cent to 90 per cent and a final (14 day) count of 90 per cent to 98 per cent of vital seeds. The average preliminary count is 50 per cent and the average final count is 86 per cent. Many samples show evidence of frost injury, these always giving low percentages of vital seeds, both in the preliminary and final counts. Alberta barley has also given low germination percentages. The average preliminary (six day) count is 52 per cent and the average final (14 day) count is 70 per cent. These figures are very low and indicate that considerable proportion of Alberta oats and barley and Saskatchewan oats are weak in vitality and undesirable for seed purposes.

As one of the first essentials for a good crop of any kind is good seed, it is important that only seed with strong germination energy and a high percentage of germinable seeds should be used. The germination energy of a sample is indicated by the percentage of seeds which germinate during the first four or five days of the test. The preliminary count therefore is an index of the germination energy. If, for example, the preliminary count on a sample of oats is 25 per cent the germination energy of the sample is very low, but if the preliminary count is 90 per cent the germination energy is strong. Two samples may vary as widely as this in the preliminary count, but may contain the same percentage of vital seeds in which case the final counts would be the same. If the final counts only were considered one of these samples would be thought to be as good as the other, while in reality one is good seed and the other undesirable for use as seed. The sample with a high preliminary count will withstand unfavorable weather conditions at the time of seeding very much better than the other. It will give a more even stand on the field and a crop which will in all probability ripen somewhat earlier.

Farmers should satisfy themselves before seeding time next spring that their seed grain is of the best quality. This can only be done by a germination test. This can only be done by a germination test conducted either at home or at the Dominion Seed Laboratory in Calgary. Samples up to twenty-five in number will be tested at the Seed Laboratory free of charge for any individual or company in one year. Above this number twenty-five cents per test is charged.

Samples from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia for test should be addressed to the Dominion Seed Laboratory, Box 1084, Calgary, Alberta, and postage paid by the sender. It is unnecessary to send stamps for return postage. For wheat, oats, barley and seed of similar sort, about half a tea cupful should be sent for test; for seeds of smaller size such as flax, red clover, timothy, etc., half this quantity is sufficient. If more than one sample of the same kind of seed is sent for test they should bear some distinguishing mark or number.

contributions, magazines, books or other good reading matter can be used. Mr. E. S. McElroy, Clerk of the Municipality of Bonaville, will be glad to furnish information as to whom it should be sent. This is of local interest to all readers of this paper because of the fact that our boys who have recruited from this district are being ministered to by this association. Does your boy, your friend write home on Y.M.C.A. stationery? If so contribute your portion of the expense.

A Deal in Ducks.

"You say it is quite impossible for you to agree with Farmer Bangs on these points?" said Long's solicitor to him.

"Aye!" answered Long.

"Then I'm afraid there's no help for it; the matter will have to go before the judge."

"Very well," said Long. And then, after a pause, he added: "Do you think it would do any good to send the judge a couple of fine fat ducks?"

"Not unless you wish to lose your case," said the lawyer decisively. And Longs left, apparently convinced.

In due course the case was tried, and Longs gained a verdict.

"I believe I won because I sent them ducks, after all," he said to his lawyer afterwards.

"What!" said the astonished man of law. "Do you mean to say you sent them?"

"Aye!" was the reply; "but thinking on what you said, I sent 'em in Bangs' name!"

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Was It Cold?

The following readings of the Thermometer have been taken at regular periods each day for the past week.

	7 a.m.	12 p.m.	6 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 28th	32 b.z.	12 b.z.	28 b.z.
Saturday, 29th	18 "	4 "	18 "
Sunday, 30th	8 "	5 "	2 "
Monday, 31st	10 "	20 a.z.	8 "
Tuesday, Feb. 1st	10 "	30 "	2 "
Wednesday, 2nd	0 "	30 "	13 "
Thursday, 3rd	4 "	30 "	0 "
	b.z. below.	a.z. above zero.	

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH- WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

Duties.—Six months' residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent; also 80 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$5.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$500.00.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, stony or scrubby land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. COBY, C.M.A.,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior,
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